37. **Charities.**— The total expenditure slightly rose from Rs. 3,59,296 to Rs. 3,62,117, owing to the rise in the price of food-stuffs. But the expenditure under mofussil Oottupuras fell from Rs. 97,067 to Rs. 85.569 or by 12 per cent.

MISCELLANEOUS.

38. **Press Room.**— The number of Vernacular Newspapers and Magazines published in the State has risen from 40 to 44. Besides these, several English Newspapers are in existence. It is essential that the Press, both in and outside Travancore, should obtain authentic information regarding matters of public interest. A Press Room has, therefore, been ordered to be opened in the Public Offices buildings."

V. After the Address in English was read, copies of the Address, of the Administration Report for 1089 M. E., of the Memorandum of subjects, of the Report on the Administration of the Agricultural Department for 1089, and of the Report of the Provident Fund Committee with the Government order thereon, in English and in Malayalam, were distributed among the Members. The Assembly adjourned at 1. P. M., to meet again the next day at 11-30 A. M.

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